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What: The Horse, Mule and Pony Pull at the Mississippi State Fair.

When: Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

Where: Kirk Fordice Equine Center

Mississippi State Fairgrounds

1198 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS

JACKSON, Miss. – Commissioner Andy Gipson is bringing back the legendary horse and mule pull to the 2019 Mississippi State Fair as well as adding a pony pull. All three events will be held in the Kirk Fordice Equine Center on Saturday, October 12.

The horse pull will begin at 11:00 a.m. with the mule pull immediately following, and the pony pull scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Weigh-in for horses is 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. and weigh-in for mules is 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. in barn #11.

This event is a competition to test the strength and discipline of equine animals. Each team of horses, mules and ponies are entered as pairs. These harnessed pairs will then be divided into separate weight classes and have the opportunity to pull a weighted sled for a predetermined distance.

Two line judges and a chief judge will officiate the event. Immediately following each show, Commissioner Gipson will announce the winners within each weight class.

Visit www.MsStateFair.com for information on additional events taking place at the Fair this weekend.